

1 AN ACT in relation to contributions to candidates,
2 political committees, and public officials.

3 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
4 represented in the General Assembly:

5 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by adding
6 Section 9-25.3 as follows:

7 (10 ILCS 5/9-25.3 new)

8 Sec. 9-25.3. Acceptance of prohibited contributions.

9 (a) A candidate, political committee, or public official
10 may not knowingly accept a contribution or anything of value
11 from or on behalf of (i) an entity that would be subject to
12 the Riverboat Gambling Act or the Illinois Horse Racing Act
13 of 1975 if that entity was doing business in Illinois, (ii) a
14 licensee or applicant for licensure under the provisions of
15 the Riverboat Gambling Act or the Illinois Horse Racing Act
16 of 1975, (iii) any officer, director, holder, or controller
17 of a legal or beneficial interest in any such license or
18 application, (iv) any gaming operations manager, or (v) any
19 agent of any such person.

20 (b) A candidate, political committee, or public official
21 who violates subsection (a) of this Section for the first
22 time is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

23 (c) A candidate, political committee, or public official
24 must pay into the State treasury any contribution that (i)
25 violates this Section or (ii) would have violated this
26 Section if the contribution had been knowingly accepted by
27 the candidate, political committee, or public official.

28 (d) A candidate, political committee, or public official
29 who violates subsection (a) of this Section for a second or
30 subsequent time is guilty of a Class 4 felony. For a second
31 or subsequent violation of this Section, a fine must be

1 imposed of not less than twice the amount of any contribution
2 accepted by the offending candidate, political committee, or
3 public official.

4 Section 10. The Illinois Horse Racing Act of 1975 is
5 amended by changing Section 24 as follows:

6 (230 ILCS 5/24) (from Ch. 8, par. 37-24)

7 Sec. 24. (a) No license shall be issued to or held by an
8 organization licensee unless all of its officers, directors,
9 and holders of ownership interests of at least 5% are first
10 approved by the Board. The Board shall not give approval of
11 an organization license application to any person who has
12 been convicted of or is under an indictment for a crime of
13 moral turpitude or has violated any provision of the racing
14 law of this State or any rules of the Board.

15 (b) An organization licensee must notify the Board
16 within 10 days of any change in the holders of a direct or
17 indirect interest in the ownership of the organization
18 licensee. The Board may, after hearing, revoke the
19 organization license of any person who registers on its books
20 or knowingly permits a direct or indirect interest in the
21 ownership of that person without notifying the Board of the
22 name of the holder in interest within this period.

23 (c) In addition to the provisions of subsection (a) of
24 this Section, no person shall be granted an organization
25 license if any public official of the State or member of his
26 or her family holds any ownership or financial interest,
27 directly or indirectly, in the person.

28 (d) No person which has been granted an organization
29 license to hold a race meeting shall knowingly give to any
30 public official or member of his family, directly or
31 indirectly, for or without consideration, any interest in the
32 person. The Board shall, after hearing, revoke the

1 organization license granted to a person which has violated
2 this subsection.

3 (e) (Blank).

4 (f) No organization licensee or concessionaire or
5 officer, director or holder or controller of any 5%--or--mere
6 legal or beneficial interest in any organization licensee or
7 concession shall knowingly make any sort of gift or
8 contribution of any kind or pay or give any money or other
9 thing of value to any person who is a public official, or a
10 candidate or nominee for public office, or to any political
11 committee. A person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for
12 violating this subsection (f) for the first time. A person
13 is guilty of a Class 4 felony and, in addition, shall suffer
14 revocation of any license granted under this Act if that
15 person or any agent of that person violates this subsection
16 (f) for a second or subsequent time.

17 (Source: P.A. 89-16, eff. 5-30-95.)

18 Section 15. The Riverboat Gambling Act is amended by
19 changing Section 18 and adding Section 13.2 as follows:

20 (230 ILCS 10/13.2 new)

21 Sec. 13.2. Ownership by public official; political
22 contributions.

23 (a) No licensee or applicant for licensure or agent
24 thereof may knowingly give to any public official or member
25 of his or her family, directly or indirectly, for or without
26 consideration, any interest in shares of stock or
27 certificates or other evidences of ownership of any interest
28 in an activity licensed by the Board under this Act. The
29 Board must, after hearing, revoke the license of any licensee
30 found in violation of this subsection (a).

31 (b) No licensee or applicant for licensure or officer,
32 director, holder, or controller of any legal or beneficial

1 interest in any license granted by the Board under this Act
2 nor any gaming operations manager or any agent of that person
3 may knowingly make any sort of gift or contribution of any
4 kind or pay or give any money or other thing of value, as
5 defined in Section 9-1.12 of the Election Code, to any person
6 who is a public official, or a candidate or nominee for
7 public office, or to any agent of that person, or to any
8 political committee or other fund-raising entity that gives,
9 lends, or otherwise provides funds to meet the expenses of
10 any candidate for public office.

11 (230 ILCS 10/18) (from Ch. 120, par. 2418)

12 Sec. 18. Prohibited Activities - Penalty.

13 (a) A person is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor for
14 doing any of the following:

15 (1) Conducting gambling where wagering is used or
16 to be used without a license issued by the Board.

17 (2) Conducting gambling where wagering is permitted
18 other than in the manner specified by Section 11.

19 (3) Violating Section 13.2 of this Act for the
20 first time.

21 (b) A person is guilty of a Class B misdemeanor for
22 doing any of the following:

23 (1) permitting a person under 21 years to make a
24 wager; or

25 (2) violating paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of
26 Section 11 of this Act.

27 (c) A person wagering or accepting a wager at any
28 location outside the riverboat is subject to the penalties in
29 paragraphs (1) or (2) of subsection (a) of Section 28-1 of
30 the Criminal Code of 1961.

31 (d) A person commits a Class 4 felony and, in addition,
32 shall be barred for life from riverboats under the
33 jurisdiction of the Board, if the person does any of the

1 following:

2 (1) Offers, promises, or gives anything of value or
3 benefit to a person who is connected with a riverboat
4 owner including, but not limited to, an officer or
5 employee of a licensed owner or holder of an occupational
6 license pursuant to an agreement or arrangement or with
7 the intent that the promise or thing of value or benefit
8 will influence the actions of the person to whom the
9 offer, promise, or gift was made in order to affect or
10 attempt to affect the outcome of a gambling game, or to
11 influence official action of a member of the Board.

12 (2) Solicits or knowingly accepts or receives a
13 promise of anything of value or benefit while the person
14 is connected with a riverboat including, but not limited
15 to, an officer or employee of a licensed owner, or holder
16 of an occupational license, pursuant to an understanding
17 or arrangement or with the intent that the promise or
18 thing of value or benefit will influence the actions of
19 the person to affect or attempt to affect the outcome of
20 a gambling game, or to influence official action of a
21 member of the Board.

22 (3) Uses or possesses with the intent to use a
23 device to assist:

24 (i) In projecting the outcome of the game.

25 (ii) In keeping track of the cards played.

26 (iii) In analyzing the probability of the
27 occurrence of an event relating to the gambling
28 game.

29 (iv) In analyzing the strategy for playing or
30 betting to be used in the game except as permitted
31 by the Board.

32 (4) Cheats at a gambling game.

33 (5) Manufactures, sells, or distributes any cards,
34 chips, dice, game or device which is intended to be used

1 to violate any provision of this Act.

2 (6) Alters or misrepresents the outcome of a
3 gambling game on which wagers have been made after the
4 outcome is made sure but before it is revealed to the
5 players.

6 (7) Places a bet after acquiring knowledge, not
7 available to all players, of the outcome of the gambling
8 game which is subject of the bet or to aid a person in
9 acquiring the knowledge for the purpose of placing a bet
10 contingent on that outcome.

11 (8) Claims, collects, or takes, or attempts to
12 claim, collect, or take, money or anything of value in or
13 from the gambling games, with intent to defraud, without
14 having made a wager contingent on winning a gambling
15 game, or claims, collects, or takes an amount of money or
16 thing of value of greater value than the amount won.

17 (9) Uses counterfeit chips or tokens in a gambling
18 game.

19 (10) Possesses any key or device designed for the
20 purpose of opening, entering, or affecting the operation
21 of a gambling game, drop box, or an electronic or
22 mechanical device connected with the gambling game or for
23 removing coins, tokens, chips or other contents of a
24 gambling game. This paragraph (10) does not apply to a
25 gambling licensee or employee of a gambling licensee
26 acting in furtherance of the employee's employment.

27 (e) The possession of more than one of the devices
28 described in subsection (d), paragraphs (3), (5) or (10)
29 permits a rebuttable presumption that the possessor intended
30 to use the devices for cheating.

31 (f) A person is guilty of a Class 4 felony and, in
32 addition, shall suffer revocation of any license granted by
33 the Board under this Act if such person or any agent thereof
34 violates Section 13.2 of this Act for a second or subsequent

1 time.

2 An action to prosecute any crime occurring on a riverboat
3 shall be tried in the county of the dock at which the
4 riverboat is based.

5 (Source: P.A. 91-40, eff. 6-25-99.)

6 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
7 becoming law.